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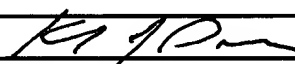
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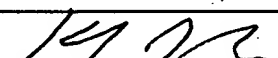
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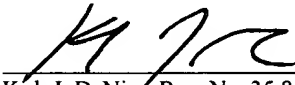
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Sir:

This RESPONSE is in reply to the Office Action mailed July 9, 2003 ("Office Action").

In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that the reissue application is in condition for allowance. The examiner has required the original patent be surrendered before the reissue application can be allowed.

Enclosed herewith is the original patent. It is therefore respectfully requested that the application be issued.

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The Examiner's prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should further questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501826 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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